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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents results of a surficial geologic field investigation and a very-low-frequency electromagnetic (VLF-EM) survey of bedrock fractures at the Cane Creek Mine, Grand County, Utah (Figure 1). The emphasis of this report is directed toward a study of fractures which underlie Moab Salt's brine storage lake and those fractures associated with the brine lake dam abutments and spillway (Figure 2). This study was undertaken in response to written comments prepared (1/28/88) by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) concerning the potential of fractures which underlie the brine lake to transmit brine to off-site areas. Moab Salt, in written response (5/18/88) to DOGM comments, agreed to undertake additional study of faulted and fractured bedrock in the vicinity of the brine lake area to evaluate the potential for brine seepage toward the Colorado River.

This report is divided into four sections including this introduction. Sections 2 presents methods of data collection; whereas, Section 3 presents results and discussion of the investigation. Referenced literature is documented in Section 4.







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